



BRICKLAYER

Level	2
Duration	30 months
Job Examples	Bricklayer

Bricklayers lay bricks, blocks and other types of building components in mortar to construct and repair walls, foundations, partitions, arches and other structures eg chimney stacks. They might also refurbish brickwork and masonry on restoration projects. The range of sites and projects that bricklayers will work on include large commercial developments, new builds in housing, alterations, extensions and restorations. A bricklayer may work one-on-one or on larger jobs where their bricklaying group (gang) may work on a particular section of a building alongside other bricklaying gangs as well as other trades.

THE PROGRAMME

On programme

- Completion of Portfolio
- Construction techniques, types of materials and selecting appropriate tools and equipment
- Cavity walling, building fireplaces and chimneys
- How to use levelling devices
- Health and safety hazards, regulations and legislation
- Customer service and communications skills
- Awareness and consideration of other related trades
- The duration of this apprenticeship is typically 18 months. Please note that the last 3 months of the apprenticeship are allocated for the independent End Point Assessment.

Commitment from the Employer and Staff:

During the Apprenticeship programme, 20% of the contracted working hours will be spent on learning and developing the required Knowledge, Skills and Behaviours. This development time will include learning new relevant tasks within their role, embedding the knowledge within their role, practical workplace training, spending development time with their Line Manager, attending online/face-to-face courses and time writing assignments/assessments including directed self-study hours: evidencing the application knowledge within their working day, independent study and research, shadowing colleagues and mentoring and technical training.

Qualification and Professional membership

- Level 2 Bricklayer Apprenticeship Standard
- On completion of this Apprenticeship, the apprentice will have satisfied the requirements to obtain a Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) Card at the appropriate level. As a result of achieving the Apprenticeship, there will be an entitlement to join the Federation of Master Builders' continuous professional development (CPD) scheme for individual tradespeople



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Gateway

- Professional Qualification
- Apprentices without Level 2 English and mathematics will need to achieve this level prior to taking their EPA.

End point assessment

- Knowledge Test
- Skills Test
- Oral Questioning – underpinned by portfolio

DELIVERY

Induction

One day induction to Apprenticeship programme, meeting with a Skills Coach and Delivery Plan agreed.

In college

One workshop session a month for the duration of Programme.

Online

Supporting material throughout, including Mindful our virtual platform and access to smart assessor (e-portfolio)

Assessment

On programme assessments every 6-8 weeks, including progress reviews every 8-10 weeks.

KNOWLEDGE/ SKILLS/BEHAVIOURS

Knowledge

- Health and safety
- Customer service
- Buildings
- Energy efficiency

Skills

- Preparation of materials
- Masonry structures
- Radial and battered brickwork

Behaviours

- Effective communication
- Positive and mature attitude
- Quality focused

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Whilst any entry requirements will be a matter for individual employers, typically an apprentice might be expected to have already achieved 5 GCSEs, including Maths and English, Grade C or above or 4/5 (new grading). Some employers will accept other relevant qualifications and experience, including a relevant Level 2 qualification. For those with an education, health and care plan or a legacy statement the apprenticeships English and maths minimum requirement is Entry Level 3 and British Sign Language qualification are an alternative to English qualifications for whom this is their primary language.

CAREER PROGRESSION

Experienced bricklayers can go on to become self-employed or start their own construction businesses. They can also train for specialist work such as stonemasonry, restoration or conservation. They may also become construction technicians and can move from this position to a supervisory job, such as a clerk of works or a construction manager.

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